GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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MAHILA SAMAKHYA PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has Launched Mahila Samakhya Programme in 10 States only for the education and empowerment of women in rural areas;

(b) if so, the derails thereof along with the funds allocated under the programme during each of the last three years and thereafter till date, State-wise;

(c) the number of beneficiaries under this Programme at present, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government propose to extend this programme in other States; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI):

(a) to (e) The Mahila Samakhya scheme is being implemented by the Government of India for the education and empowerment of women in rural areas, particularly of women from socially and economically marginalised groups. The scheme is operational in 9 states viz. Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Uttaranchal and Uttar Pradesh. Statement-I of funds released under the central sector scheme during the last three years and till date is enclosed. The Mahila Samakhya Programme in Bihar and Jharkhand is funded under the District Primary Education Programme. The number of beneficiaries, State-wise, is enclosed asstatement.

So far, there is no proposal to extend coverage of the scheme in the Tenth Plan period.